

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**

Locally, the Town Clerk's office did not see many changes in 2009 except for the addition of Randy Sanborn, a part-time assistant to Marie Price, Deputy Town Clerk and myself. Usually you will find Randy working in the Planning Department, but crossed-trained in our office to help out during vacation times.

We still offer a variety of license plates including the conservation, agriculture, farm and tractor (if you qualify), vanity, motorcycle, trailer and regular passenger plates. A vehicle with a GVW of up to 26,001 pounds can be registered and completed in this office. Temporary (20 day) plates are NOT available at the Town Clerk's office, you must obtain these in Concord or at a DMV substation such as Dover Point or Tamworth.

When registering a new vehicle with a model year of 1996 and newer, you will need to have an original title or a title application. Renewal letters are sent out on a monthly basis. As always a self-addressed, stamped envelope is required when renewing by mail. When renewing in person, you must present your current registration per RSA 261:148. The state has made some changes. Their portion of a vehicle registration has an additional surcharge, which went into effect August of 2009. Also, the Rochester substation has closed indefinitely.

In 2009 we held the Town Deliberative Session and the Town and School Election in March. 2010 will bring the State elections, the Primary in September and the General in November in addition to the local election in March. Residents can apply and receive an absentee ballot, file for a town or school position and register to vote. To register as a voter, you will need a photo ID and two (2) additional documents verifying your physical address in Alton, such as a utility bill, bank statement or rent receipt, a PO Box is not acceptable as proof of residency.

Marriage licenses can be obtained at the Town Clerk's office as well as birth, death, marriage, or divorce certificates. We file wetland applications, aqua-therm permits and issue dog licenses, which expire April 30<sup>th</sup> of every year. 2010 dog licenses are now available, if your dog currently has a purple license it will expire this April. There will be a rabies clinic held in April, the date to be announced.

The Town Clerk's office hours are 8:30am - 4:30pm, Monday through Friday. If you have any questions please contact us at 875-2101 or we are on the Town's web site at [www.alton.nh.gov](http://www.alton.nh.gov). Click on Town Government and then Town Clerk.

It has been a pleasure serving you and we look forward seeing you again this year!

Please see our financial report on the following page.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Noyes, Town Clerk  
Marie Price, Deputy Town Clerk